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## VERNE D. MUDGE Brig. Gen., USA, Ret.

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Born Bangor, South Dakota,

Attended University of Florida two years before attending Military Academy at West Point.

Graduated from Military Academy and commissioned 2nd Lt. July 2, 1920

Various routine assignments during next 20 years including:
Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Northwestern Military and Naval
Academy, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, 1925-1930

Personnel Division of War Department General Staff

Attended Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

" Army War College, Washington, D. C.

March, 1942, Chief of Staff, First Cavalry Division, Ft. Bliss, Texas Commanded a brigade with First Cavalry Division and led it in action in the Southwest Pacific participating in:

New Guinea Campaign

1944, promoted to Major General (temporary)

March, 1944, helped seize Admiralty Islands

August, 1944, assumed command First Cavalry Division

October, 1944, participated in initial attack on Leyte, Phillippine Islands January, 1945, landed on Luzon; participated in dash to Manila

His troops were the first Americans to return to Manila. Participated in the occupation and clean-up of Manila.

September, 1945, took part in fighting northeast of the city at Antipolo where the fortifications and caves were among the most difficult found in the Pacific.

Severely wounded by Japanese grenade and hospitalized at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., June 1945 to February 1946.

February 1946, appointed secretary of the War Department Personnel Board

Sketch up to date as of 21 May 1946.

Listed in Congressional Directory, March 1951, as staff assistant to Senate Armed Services Committee.

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